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CLERK: The first amendment to the bill, Senator Robak...

SENATOR CUDABACK: Senator...

CLERK: Senator Robak, I have Amendment 1537. This is an amendment you had on General File and you withdrew it at that time and reoffered it, Senator.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Senator Robak to open on your amendment.

SENATOR ROBAK: Mr. Speaker, I withdraw Amendment...that amendment.

SENATOR CUDABACK: It is withdrawn.

SENATOR ROBAK: Thank you.

CLERK: Senator Brashear would offer AM1762. (See page 2142 of the Legislative Journal.)

SENATOR CUDABACK: Senator Brashear to open on your amendment.

SENATOR BRASHEAR: Mr. Chairman, members of the body, thank you. This is an amendment which was brought to me by Secretary of State Moore. And I have been in consultation with Senator Schimek and the committee. We remove one sentence from the statute that requires that a certificate of registration be submitted with all of the other papers required to be filed by a candidate when filing for public office. Excuse me. Current statute requires candidates who are filing for office within the Secretary of State's Office...and that includes federal offices, constitutional offices, and others...that they must provide a treasurer's receipt and a certificate of voter registration. Until recently, both documents could be fairly easily obtained at approximately the same time in the same approximate location...excuse me...at the court house. But recently, the Douglas County Election Commissioner's Office, for instance, has moved to west Omaha, and it makes the requirement quite inconvenient. In addition, the implementation of the state's central voter database has made the certificate of voter registration essentially unnecessary, because the Secretary of